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Values from Misfortune.—A Reverie.

Who shall bedimm'd with sighs say fresh'ning dews,
Who will mind by what sweet sounds we're woo'd,
Who is the fool that will contest yours,
Who those who cure or who deal cease to love?
Yes—all these and myriads by philosophy,
Then many blessed, then needly by reasoning!
Then sadness feeds their deathless all for gold,
As cattle on the fertile herbs the shell.

Who all this cared, what do these writers have?
Does wealth rule, or kings a sway appear?
Or sensualists or those who pleasure crave?
To ignore the best with pay'dise?
But one year's sorrow is a thousand pains,
One heavy weeping by the hapless lone;
See then exceed, with cinerin or heavenly power,
Tragedies and comedies, or the soothing strings
Of shining harps of gold.

When I am dead my friends replete,
Then children years of sorrow,
Not seen from Wisdom's hall, a tease
Will rest death by the clean.
Or at the portal from the shrieking sun;
Or at the fountain's side,
And water in a world like this
Is subject unto pain.

AYON BARD.

MY HUSBAND.

Who early took me for his wife,
And now is my sole friend of life,
Through all its varied ills and strife?
My husband.

Who shar'd with me, in early woe,
And firm'd by my sides to go,
Where earthly storms and tempests blow?
My husband.

Who hear'd the voice of love divine,
Whose heart, the Spirit did incline,
To join his hatred unto mine?
My husband.

Who new in date but late his bond,
The law of love to understand,
To slumber with the powerful dead?
My husband.

Who has rear'd his spirit free,
From his sins, and earth and sea,
That he might with his Saviour be?
My husband.

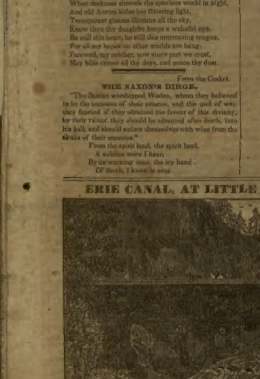
Who seeks, in hope, that glorious day,
When freed from death's oppressive sway,
And soon shall all in death decay?
My husband.

Who shall attend the angel's sound,
Loud echoing through the sea profound
And rising, ere he has been drown'd?
My husband.

Whom shall I meet, at God's right hand,
With whom in glory shall I stand,
And join Redemption's chosen band?
My husband.

With whom, in heaven's eternal sway,
Shall I in endless years live?
Forever join'd as Jesus' bride?
My husband.

ERIE CANAL, AT LITTLE FALLS, NEW YORK.



DESCRIPTION.

That stupendous monument of human ingenuity and perseverance, the Grand Chanal, presents few more interesting scenes than the Little Falls of the Mohawk, when taken in connection with the triumphant work which runs immediately beside it. The view afforded from a packet boat of mountain scenery on either side, with a bare passage for the dashing waters of the Mohawk between, is wonderfully grand and sublime. Whichever way the eye is turned, it rests on huge masses of precipitous limestone, piled in heaps. These rocks in some places rise to a great height, almost perpendicular, presenting a bleak, barren surface, unbroken by even the thousand storms which have beat upon them; others present a gradual ascent, covered and crowned and overhung by dark evergreens, dropping their verdure into the foaming torrent below. The fissures between others of these huge piles, variously shaped, and either green, white or gray, hang from them, and with their sombre shadow,

From the Journal of Health.

RILLS OF MORTALITY FOR 1832.

Deaths in Philadelphia in the year 1832.—It appears from the official report of the Board of Health of Philadelphia, that the deaths in the city and districts from the 1st January 1832 to the 1st January 1833, amounted to six thousand six hundred and ninety-one, (6691)—47 more than were under one year 1831, from one to two years 643, from two to five years 1,000, five to ten years 326, from ten to fifteen years 189, from fifteen to twenty years 142, from twenty to thirty years 391, from thirty to forty years 532, from forty to fifty years 509, from fifty to sixty years 356, from sixty to seventy years 256, from seventy to eighty years 216, from eighty to ninety years 111, from ninety to one hundred years 30, from one hundred to one hundred and ten 6, from one hundred and ten to one hundred and twenty 1. Total 6691.

Of the above there were Males of 30 years and upwards, males under 30 years, 1,917; Females of 30 years and upwards, and 1,519 under 30 years.

There were 500 returns received at the Health Office, of persons who died in the Alms-House in the City and 45 in the Alms-House in Southwark, during the year; 766 People of Color are embodied in the total amount of deaths.

Agreeable to returns made at the Health Office, and collected from 163 Physicians or Midwives, there have been born in the city and liberties, from the 1st of January, 1832, to the 1st of January 1833, 3,237 Male and 3,037 Female Children; making the total number of births 6,274, leaving a balance in favor of the births and decrease in favour of the former of 554.

Deaths in each month of the above period.

January 451	July 561		
Feb.... 451	344	August 1099	931 1029
March 519	455	Sept.... 519	455 974
April... 315	377	472	Oct.... 194	192	386
May.... 324	239	563	Nov.... 223	173	396
June.... 179	211	390	Dec.... 136	177	313
			1930	1750	3680			1974	1063	3699

The chief outlets to human life during the year were as follows:—*Cholera, (malignant)* 948; *consumption, (pulmonary)* 1,015; *cholera infantum, (the summer complaint of children)* 366; *convulsions*, 341; *scarlet fever*, 316; *inflammation of the lungs*, 313; *natural death, (common from strong debility)* 310; *apoplexy*, 309; *dropsy*, 276; *Inflammation of the bowels*, 193; *croup*, 116; *dropsy of the brain*, 107; *dropsy of the breast*, 86; *cholera infantum*, (all sorts) 366.

Deaths in the city of New York during the year 1832.—The sum total of deaths in New York, during the year ending December 31st, 1832, is ten thousand three hundred and fifty-nine, (10,359,) being three hundred and ninety-six more than ever occurred in the city before in any one year.—The chief causes of death were from the following causes, viz. *cholera (malignant)* 3,515, all in the months of July, August, September and October; *consumption, (pulmonary)* 1,415; *convulsions*, 501; *dropsy in the head*, 344; *infantile fever, (commonly considered cholera)* 334; *inflammation of the brain*, 305; *intemperance*, 119; *croup or hives*, 209; *inflammation of the lungs*, 207; *dropsy in the chest*, 205; *cholera infantum*, 202; *inflammation of the bowels*, 191; *apoplexy*, 181; *inflammation of the throat*, 98

ATKINSON'S SATURDAY EVENING POST.

PHILADELPHIA:
Saturday, April 13, 1833.

☞ The anniversary of Nativities, Patients, Deaths, Schools and hundred families is requested, in the present number of a new work "*The Book of Nature*" in this day's paper. As we have not the time, we can promise no recommend it, when it makes its appearance.

*** *The Sword C. Atkinson*, whose property is advertised to be sold by the Sheriff, is NOT SAMUEL G. ATKINSON, Publisher of the Saturday Evening Post, Carlos, Journal of Health, &c. &c. &c.

We are informed that the Shad the season are of a peculiarly fine and sweet flavour. This reminds us that Gideon Tat, 23, Market street near 6th, has an hand *Shad Roasters*, on an improved and approved plan, among the innumerable conveniences of his establishment.

The sale brought by Anthony Sherrier, agent the Power and Trustee of the St. John and Mary Church Episcopal Church, which has been pending in the District Court of Philadelphia for some time past, was finally settled on Tuesday of this week. The defendant was against the plaintiff. The suit was brought to recover the amount of defendant's claim on the alleged ground that plaintiff had, without just cause, been deprived of his right as a member of the Methodist Episcopal Society.

It appeared in evidence that Sherrier, some two or three years ago, while officiating as Class Leader in the St. John street Church, was charged with offences derogatory to the principles and habits of a Methodist; he was charged with the crime of which he was duly notified, and required to appear before the quarterly conference, composed of the official members of the church, which he refused to be charged. He did so appear; and after a regular examination was acquitted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Church, by a unanimous vote of guilty, and ordered to restore his class book.

The Church, in this decision, fully sustained the proceedings of the Conference. The case, it is hoped, will scarcely be less than one thousand dollars.

Spring has made its appearance; we have before our window a bud on the Grand Bank, we noticed in full bloom. Hyacinth beds scented the air in various directions; the warmth has made his appearance, and shad are at a price which even our fine townsmen, Girard, could hardly be offended. It is said that the lowest this delicacy can have fallen to an average price of six cents. If our friends in the neighborhood will now bring us a few green leaves, and a few pots of our two of sparrow-grass, we shall be fairly set up, and begin to think seriously of ordering cushions indispensables and a wide chapeau. But we must not "digress and sing." Spring time of year is coming, coming," is just it is coming.

The Legislature of the commonwealth adjourned sine die on Tuesday last, after passing the usual number and seventy-five acts, twenty-four resolutions, and two addresses, one for the removal of John Wallace, a justice of the peace in Allegheny county, and the second in the other for the removal of Henry O'Neal, justice of the peace in Philadelphia county.

Among these acts many relating to the city and county of Philadelphia, which generally have been noticed in the columns of our Harrisburg correspondent.

In the proceedings of the Legislature we have noted to pause, and perhaps much to censure, of which we shall speak more at large hereafter. We wish now only to refer to the fact, that many bills of importance to the people of the state, have been lost in consequence of the singular course pursued by the Senate. The bill abolishing duties rendering which secure the decided approbation of three-fourths of community at large, has been rejected in the Senate, though it passed the House of Representatives by a large majority. This was certainly one of the most important measures before the Legislature, and we regret, most sincerely, that it has been so disposed of. The measure which repealed some Statutes in the last session were of a similar character, and we have every business to speak at length. Public men are the servants of the people, and we see their committees have an undoubted right to demand their services promptly, and if necessary, to summon them forcibly, when we believe they have been influenced by improper motives.

The Legislature, from the Susquehanna and the mouth of Honey thence throughout the commonwealth, has done an act worthy of all credit, and however much we may be disposed to censure their proceedings, for this we give them our decided approbation. The acts were the only important matter acted upon, we should feel that we had performed but half of our duties the censuring a service, for which that community cannot be too grateful.

LESSONS ON SHELLS.

We have before us a very neat duodecimo volume, entitled "Lessons on Shells, as given in a Pestalozzian School, by the author of Lessons on Objects"—It is published in New York, by Peter Hill, and very well illustrated by plates. The little book fills a niche not before occupied, and is a valuable manual for students. Many of the shells of the sea are unknown to us, but it shall be introduced into schools, and we have recommend no book on the subject so well calculated for the object. Every branch of Natural History we add to our catalogues of information, is a positive source of pleasure for the remainder of our lives; and Conchology is surely a study both attractive and interesting.

Mrs. Jameson's Characteristics of Women.

Grace & Lea have just issued in two very neat volumes, entitled "Characteristics of Women—This lady is favorably known to the public by her previous writings, among which, the Diary of an Ennuyee has enjoyed a favorite with the reading public, and the present production is of a character to be always and permanently popular. She has selected Shakspeare's female characters on which to dilate, and has exemplified them in her portraits of them, so as to draw them what in other hands, would have proved a dry dissection, of all repulsive appearance. To the ladies particularly, we recommend the work, because they may be studied with advantage by their lovers, husbands, and brothers. The work is in the form of dialogues, and the language chaste and pure.

"The Emigrant, a Journal of the domestic News of England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales." This is the title of a new work, the first number of which was published in New York which has reached us this morning. The typography is good, and we should suppose valuable for all who take an interest in those events transpiring, and they are not?

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TENNESSEE.

When we take a glance at the new country which is called by the general title of "Valley of the Mississippi," for purposes to wonder at the sudden and surprising changes which a few years have produced. It seems but yesterday that the discovery was made of the effect of steam in overcoming the powerful force which has existed for such immense superiority, and for what wonders did we behold. States which elsewhere would be kingdoms and empires, rise up in succession to astonish by their wealth and population, and to delight the moralist by their exhibition of those principles which render the social compact desirable, and effective for the general good.

Great as was the stride produced by steam, the Canal and Railroad System has already presented the resources of our great country in an equally new aspect. But their united efforts are but begun. Let a canal and railroad once get into full operation, from the Atlantic coast to the banks of the Ohio, and a new face for power will commence between the states, and that which was produced by witnessing the wonders of the New York canal, will be as nothing to what will then be to war, for the purposes of commerce and intercourse, as Hercules, the emperor of Persia's verse, was to the ship which was the wonder of the world. A thousand miles of railroad dwindles to a hundred of muddy hills and mountains. Great changes are made in the habits of the people, and a new force for power will commence between the states, that which was produced by witnessing the wonders of the New York canal, will be as nothing to what will then be to war, for the purposes of commerce and intercourse, as Hercules, the emperor of Persia's verse, was to the ship which was the wonder of the world. A thousand miles of railroad dwindles to a hundred of muddy hills and mountains. Great changes are made in the habits of the people, and a new face

THE OLIO

Blasts then, nymphs, dead bring with thee
Soul and youthful Jollity!
Spirit that wrinkled cares divides,
And inspirited, holding heads his sides

For the Saturday Evening Post.

AN ENIGMA.

Two brothers, twins, near neighbors, lie
Beneath a common mound.
Though near, they ne'er can come
To each their own home.

One always did the other serve,
Who never "served" him back;
No jar betwixt them did ever,
For strangers daily clash.

Yet woe betide him, they did
Each other forever hate;
By spite and wrath, and ignorance one
The "Double Curse" create.

Though all our days without a thought
Of envy, or good will;
And yet they are content to be
Those meanest neighbors still.

J. F.

For the Saturday Evening Post.

THE PUZZLER.

Cure in a minute, two in a minute, and yet cures in a thousand years.

The 15 best in and why is the remainder like the sands on the sea shore?

It was before Creation; it still exists in the depths of the sea, yet it shall one destroy it in an instant.

How much less than a pea with a full pint can you measure it?

Solutions are requested.

A Nasty Mechanical Simile.—"Arah, Pat, and why did I marry ye,—just tell me that—for it's myself don't but bother ye ever since the honeymoon? Sure the moon of Flahigan was one to your's for true!" "Faith Jane," replied Pat, at length, "I can only tell ye that the reason I may be up the day when ye're asleep, entirely, shure is that I'm not the husband for ye. By the Powers I'm sure how ye are going without me, honey."

A wag threatening to go into the shop of a tailor just as the latter was about to commence dinner, was requested by his wife, then advanced the knight of the goose. "You, my dear, indeed! can proceed to the tailors and tell him—"Hear-sir," replied the resourceful lady, as he piled the scissors and needles and cast upon the floor, "I have left the cabbage for your accommodation." He said he accommodated her by taking it up, and that he was the only person in the world of any having ever done so, since the days of the New Testament which declares that "he who cabbeth a thing shall make an ass of himself." The lady was so highly tickled thereby at the jest, and insisted upon quelling a quarrel that had arisen with the use of such a phrase.

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